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1. ACCORDING TO BELGIAN AMBASSADOR HERE, SCHEDULED VISIT OF BELGIAN GOVERNMENT MINISTER TO ROMANIA WILL PROBABLY NOT TAKE PLACE BECAUSE OF DISAPPEARANCE OF YUGOSLAV EMIGRE VLADO DAPCEVIC FROM BUCHAREST IN AUGUST (REFTEL). BELGIANS HAVE TOLD ROMANIANS VISIT COULD NOT TAKE PLACE UNTIL DETAILS OF DISAPPEARANCE AND WHEREABOUTS OF DAPCEVIC HAVE BEEN CLARIFIED. TO DATE ALL THAT ROMANIANS HAVE TOLD BELGIANS IS THAT DAPCEVIC DID NOT LEAVE THE COUNTRY UNDER HIS OWN NAME BUT THAT HE MIGHT HAVE DONE SO UNDER ASSUMED NAME.

2. RELATED TO THIS, FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE CORRESPONDENT RAZUMOVSKI, WHO KNOWS DETAILS OF BELGIAN POSITION ON MINISTERIAL VISIT, TOLD US THAT YUGOSLAVS NOW HAVE OVER THIRTY COMINFORMISTS UNDER ARREST. HE ASSERTS THAT YUGOSLAVS ARE PREPARING "SHOW TRIAL" AND THAT DAPCEVIC MAY BE ONE OF THE ACCUSED.

3. COMMENT. RAZUMOVSKI IS A BIASED AND AT TIMES SENSATIONAL
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REPORTER WHOSE INFORMATION IS NOT ALWAYS ACCURATE. WE ARE

AWARE OF ARREST OF SEVEN COMINFORMISTS FROM CROATIA (BELGRADE 3961) AND THERE ARE ALSO REPORTS THAT COMINFORMISTS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED IN THE VOJVODINA. BELGRADE 4785 NOTED REPORTS OF DISCOVERY OF A CLANDESTINE TRANSMITTER IN KRAGUJEVAC. WHILE WE HAVE NO INFORMATION TO CONFIRM LIKELIHOOD OF SUCH A TRIAL, IT IS TRUE THAT THERE ARE WIDESPREAD RUMORS AMONG CORRESPONDENTS HERE REGARDING CURRENT DIFFICULTIES BETWEEN THE SOVIETS AND YUGOSLAVS. SEPTEL REPORTS ON RATHER UNUSUAL IMPLICIT AND EXPLICIT CRITICISM OF SOVIETS IN YUGOSLAV PRESS.
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